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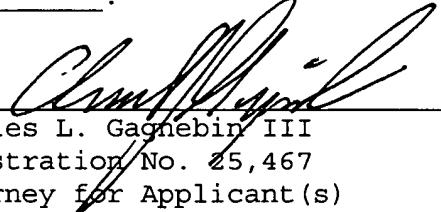
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application : SHARON MANTIN, ET AL.  
Application No. : 10/082,771  
Filed : February 25, 2002  
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For : PERFORMANCE MONITORING OF MULTIPLE CHANNELS IN  
AN AUTOMATIC PROTECTION SWITCHED NETWORK  
Examiner :  
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

It is desired to cite for the record in this application the  
enclosed references listed on the attached copy of PTO Form #1449. The  
paragraph(s) marked below are applicable to this Information Disclosure  
Statement.

- [ ] (1) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(1) and (2), the attached  
Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three  
months of the filing date of the above identified national  
application or within three months of the date of entry of the  
national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.491 of the above  
identified application. Accordingly, applicant(s) believes that  
no fee or statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) is required.

- ☒ (2) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3), applicant(s) believes the attached Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits. Accordingly, applicant(s) believes that no fee or statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) is required.
- ☐ (3) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(4), applicant(s) believes the attached Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office action after the filing of a request for continued examination under § 1.114. Accordingly, applicant(s) believes that no fee or statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) is required.
- ☐ (4) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), the attached Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a final action or a notice of allowance and is accompanied by:
- ☐ a statement under 37 CFR § 1.97(e); or
- ☐ the fee set forth in § 1.17(p).

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.97(d)

- ☐ (5) Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.97(d), applicant(s) hereby petitions the Commissioner to consider the attached Information Disclosure Statement which is being filed on or before payment of the issue fee. This petition is accompanied by a statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) and the petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1)

- ☐ (6) The undersigned hereby states that each item of information contained in the attached Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(2)

- ☐ (7) The undersigned hereby states that no item of information contained in the attached Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application and, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, no item of

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If a search report of a searching agency is enclosed identifying the nature of the relevance of each document, such a designation is deemed to satisfy 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) even if in a foreign language because the codes are the same in all languages. However, applicant(s) does not necessarily adopt the position reflected by that report.

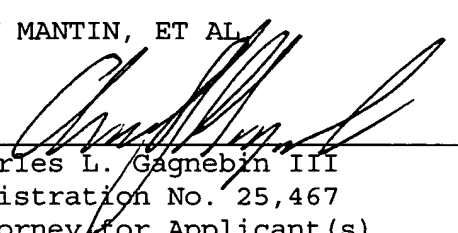
These references were cited in an Office Action in a related U.S. patent application No. 09/969,839 filed October 3, 2001.

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